

I live in Indiana where I am currently a participant in Indiana's telephone privacy program. I am requesting that you DO NOT implement any proposal that would lessen Indiana's privacy law protection. I am a VP of Operations for a small manufacturer who spends 10 to 12 hours/day - 6 days per week at work. My home time with my family is truly "quality time" and does not need interruption from phone solicitors attempting to sell me something I neither want or need. A few years ago I used to receive 10 calls per week - now I basically receive none. Product or service information is available from multiple channels of communication - television, radio, internet, and newspaper. I have the ability to select whether I want to see, hear, read, or search for goods and services. Under this proposal to weaken privacy laws, I would not have this ability to control a service for which I pay. The telephone company asked me years ago if I wanted a PRIVATE line. I said yes and would still prefer to keep it that way. I think Bell invented the phone for communication purposes - not Marketing functions.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

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